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Applicant:

Donald H. Michel

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Gravel Packing

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**PETITION AND FEE FOR  
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Applicant respectfully requests a two-month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated January 17, 2003. Applicant believes the filing fee for this extension request is \$410.00, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1). This firm's check in the amount of \$410.00 is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit any additional fees or credit any overpayment to the Locke Liddell & Sapp LLP Deposit Account No.12-1322 (Ref. 020569-06200).

Respectfully submitted,

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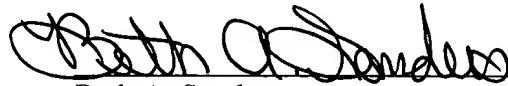
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